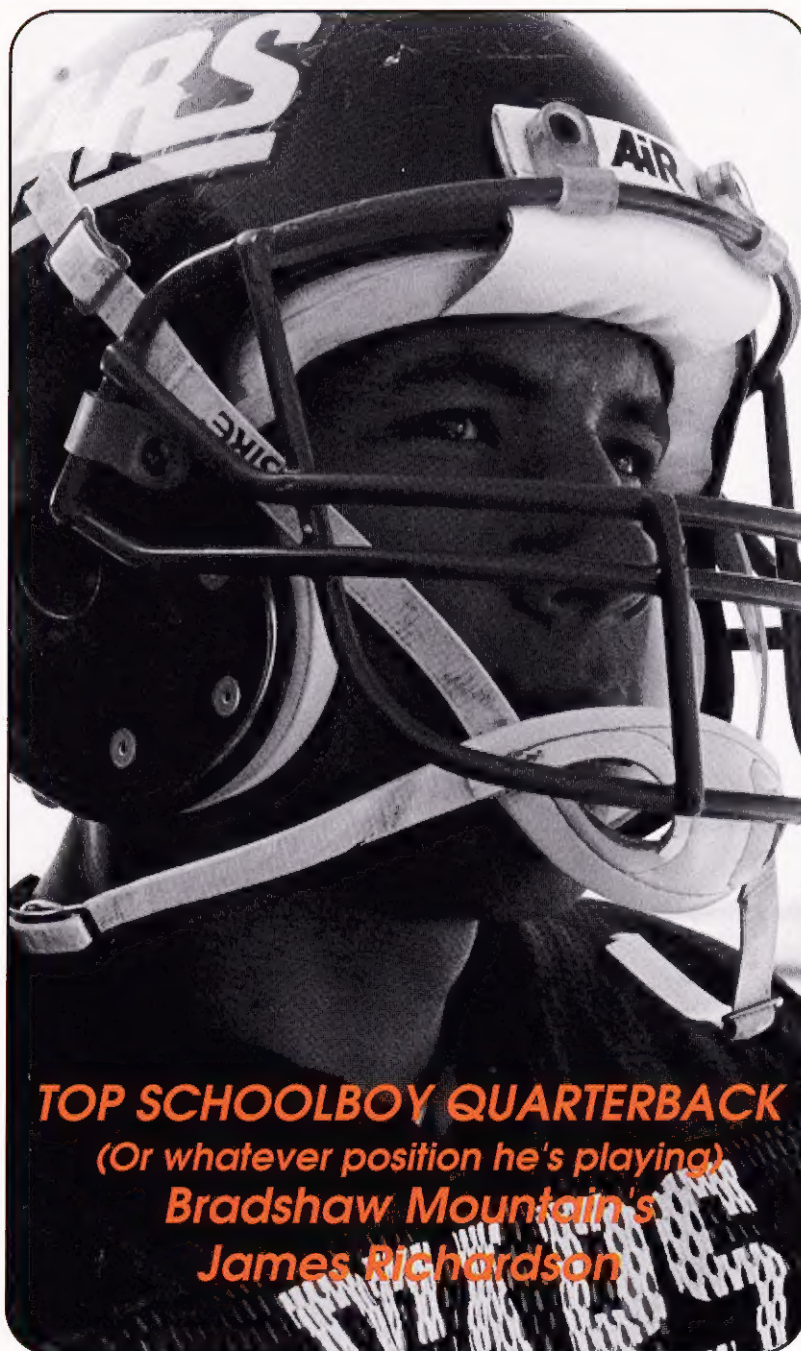


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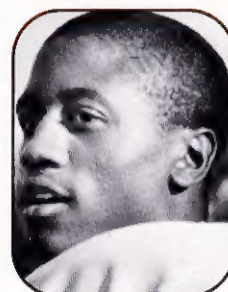
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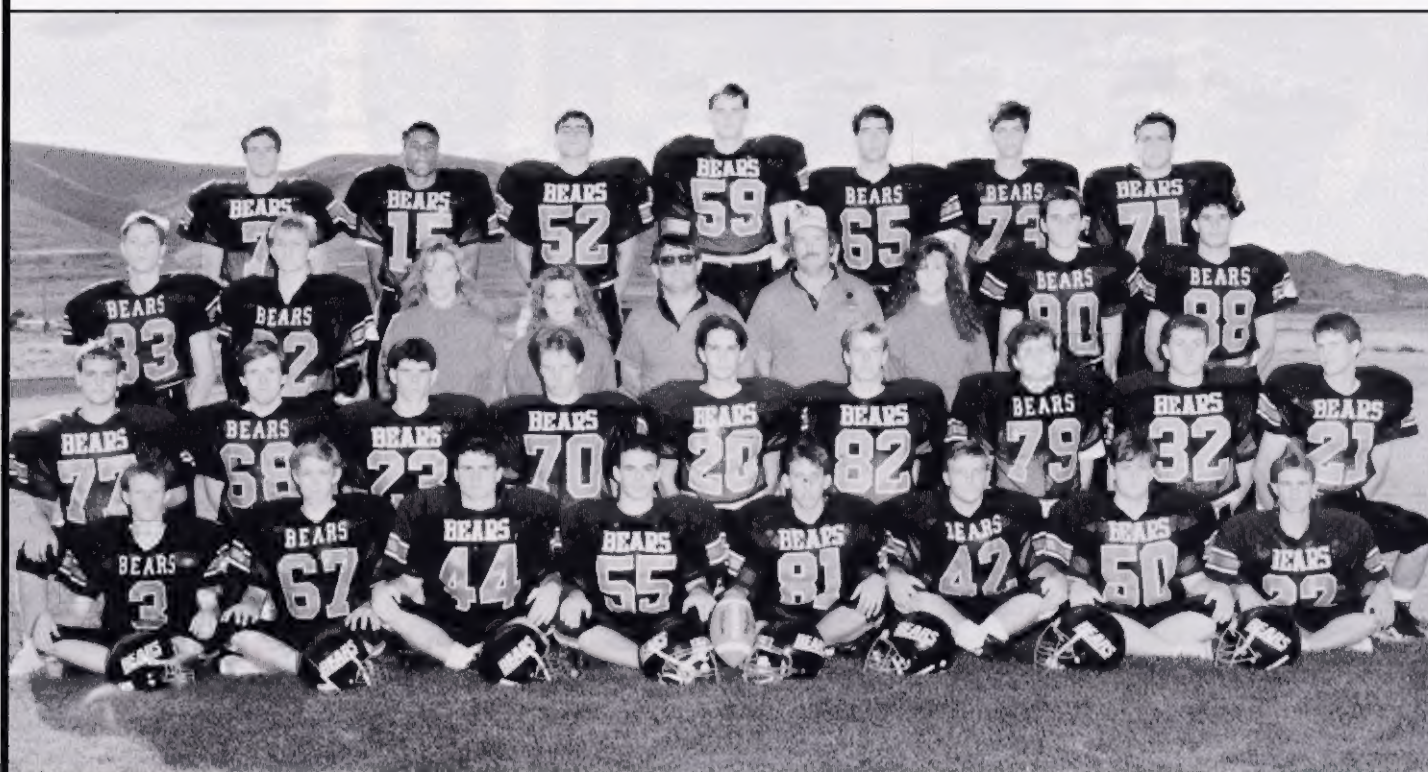
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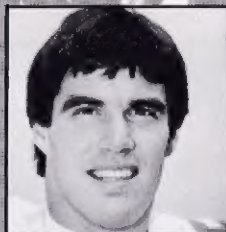
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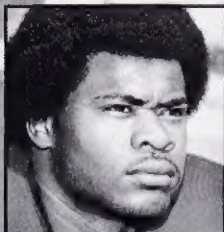
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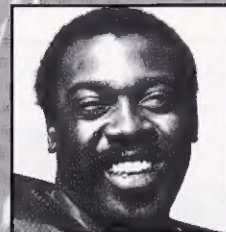
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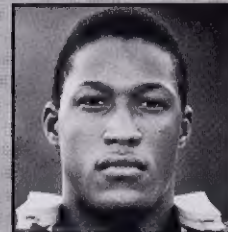
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1982 .. Randall McDaniel, Agua Fria
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1980 .. Jimmy Williams, Tempe
1979 .. Todd Shell, Mesa Mountain View
1978 .. Kurt Whiteman, Scottsdale
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1971 .. Larry Gordon, Phoenix Union
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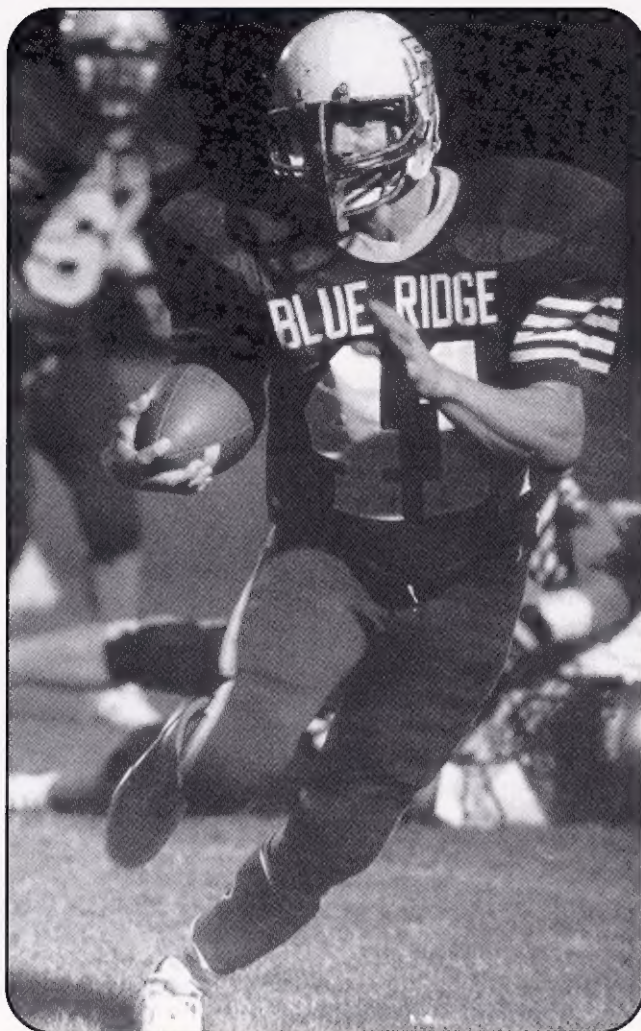
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 1989 ..Mike Johnson, Parker, WR
 1988 ..Sam Austrino, Prescott, NG
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 1986 ..Tim Landers, Round Valley, T
 1985 ..David Winsley, Flagstaff, RB
 1984 ..David Winsley, Flagstaff, RB (jr)
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 1982 ..Gary McEwen, Snowflake, QB
 1981 ..Stan Gill, Flagstaff, RB
 1980 ..Greg Topp, Flagstaff, QB
 1979 ..Greg Turner, Flagstaff, RB
 1978 ..Billy Hatcher, Williams, RB
 1977 ..Billy Hatcher, Williams, RB (jr)
 1976 ..Willard Reeves, Coconino, RB
 1975 ..Danny Beckwith, Page, RB
 1974 ..Ray Smith, Coconino, RB
 1973 ..Dwain Smith, Winslow, RB
 1972 ..Carl Russell, McNary, QB
 1971 ..Mark Hamblin, Round Valley, RB
 1970 ..Dillard Nelson, Williams, RB
 1969 ..Tom Gillmore, Winslow, LB
 1968 ..Roosevelt Van, Winslow, B
 1967 ..Jerry Russell, McNary, HB
 1966 ..Bill White, Kingman, T
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 1964 ..Mike Madeo, Winslow, FB
 1963 ..James Dugan, Flagstaff, B



Jeremy Hathcock, Blue Ridge (Kate Wintrol photo).

1962 ..James Dugan, Flagstaff, B (jr)
 1961 ..Jack Miller, Flagstaff, DB
 1960 ..Prestons Dragons, Flagstaff, E
 1959 ..Lance Penrod, Lakeside, QB
 1958 ..Joe Spear, Snowflake, HB
 1957 ..Lonnie Lund, Round Valley, HB
 1956 ..Bob Rothlisberger, St. Johns, E
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 1954 ..Charlie Jones, Prescott, RB (jr)
 1953 ..Paul McCormick, Winslow, RB
 1952 ..J.B. Brown, Flagstaff, E
 1951 ..Don Stuart, Flagstaff, G
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 1948 ..John Lowry, Seligman, E

"New Year's Day is Just the Beginning"

Lumberjack Preview

The Right Direction

By Wylie Smith

Experience and depth, although young, are ingredients that are making third-year head coach Steve Axman and his staff smile.

Building a strong starting lineup backed by sound depth has been Axman's formula since his arrival in January, 1990. With another quality recruiting class, Axman and his staff feel comfortable that the program is moving in the right direction.

The Lumberjacks return 17 starters - counting All-America kicker-punter Terry Belden, the former Glendale High all-stater, twice. On offense, the 'Jacks welcome back eight position players and seven on defense. Of the top 44 position players from last fall, 31 are back.

Last season the offense generated 4,539 yards - 413 yards a game - second best in school history. The club also produced a school record 255 first downs, and the 14 fumbles tied the school low mark and nine fumbles lost equalled a second all-time low.

With senior quarterback John Bonds back to call the shots, the Lumberjack offense should be tough to contend with, especially since the running game will present some stern problems. Bonds' two-year totals include



With teammates like Mike Forch (71) blocking, Bonds completed 196 of 352 passes for 2,669 yards and 11 touchdowns (Arizona Daily Sun photo).

390-for-769 (.507) for 5,708 yards. The former Phoenix St. Mary's all-stater has thrown 35 career touchdown passes.

With more experience on the offensive line, his interceptions should diminish. An inexperienced line and young receivers helped contribute to

the 19 interceptions he threw in 1990. Pro scouts feel, because of his size, strength and arm, Bonds has the necessary tools to play professional football.

Senior tailback Gerald Robinson rushed 118 times for a team-high 727 yards (6.2 per carry). Sophomore Len Raney is poised to make his presence felt in the Big Sky. He is also a sprinter on the NAU track team, and was the Big Sky 55-meter indoor dash champ in 1991, clocking 6.28 seconds. Last fall, Raney averaged 24.4 yards on 25 kickoffs, rushed for 179 yards and caught five passes for 77 yards. His rushing and receiving totals came after midseason.

Junior Art McDonald (6-5, 285) is considered one of the top offensive tackles in 1-AA football by pro scouts. The former Scottsdale Horizon grad is an outstanding pass blocker and his run-blocking skills have captured the eye of scouts.

Best of the Lumberjacks

QB.....	John Bonds	6-5, 228, Sr.
RB.....	Gerald Robinson	5-8, 205, Sr.
WR.....	Rod Alexander	6-0, 185, Jr.
OT.....	Art McDonald	6-5, 285, Jr.
OG.....	Chris Muti	6-2, 280, Jr.
DT.....	Chuck Walton	6-2, 250, Jr.
LB.....	Mark Reeve	6-2, 225, Sr.
SS.....	Jeff Bergam	6-0, 195, So.
CB.....	Will Glover	6-0, 170, Sr.
RS.....	Len Raney	5-10, 183, So.
K.....	Terry Belden	5-10, 185, Jr.



In Big Sky games or a live scrimmage, senior running back Gerald Robinson is a tough 'Jack to bring down. (Dave Steiner photo)

Defensively, junior tackle Chuck Walton (6-2, 250), a former Casa Grande Union star, leads a strong cast of returnees. The defense has taken its lumps, but now feels it will start to pay dividends

"We feel that we have got our classes balanced in that we will have a reasonable number of underclassmen coming back with experience, and we'll be able to bring the younger players along more slowly," says Axman. "This will allow them to develop instead of having to throw them right into the fire. Our 1992 recruiting class reflected that. We brought in 22 freshmen and three junior college

players. We will still be relatively young this fall. We have just 13 seniors."

The three junior college newcomers include linebackers Beau Smith (6-2, 220) and Scott Strini (6-2, 218) and safety Gary Bladow (6-2, 185). All three have solid credentials and sound football backgrounds.

For kickers, NAU has one! Junior Terry Belden handles both kicking chores for the 'Jacks. As a freshman he averaged 39.4 yards per boot with 19 punts downed inside the 20 yard line. As a sophomore, he added the kicking duties to his punting and excelled at both. He punted for a 44.4 average

1992 NAU Schedule

Sept. 5	Southern Utah
Sept. 12...	Northeastern (Mass.)
Sept. 19.....	@ UNLV
Sept. 26	Idaho State
Oct. 3	@ Montana State
Oct. 10.....	Boise State
Oct. 17.....	@ Montana
Oct. 24	Eastern Washington
Oct. 31.....	@ Idaho
Nov. 7.....	Weber State
Nov. 14.....	Minnesota-Duluth

and proved to be one of the most effective dual kickers in the Big Sky Conference in more than a decade. He was named second team all-Big Sky at both positions.

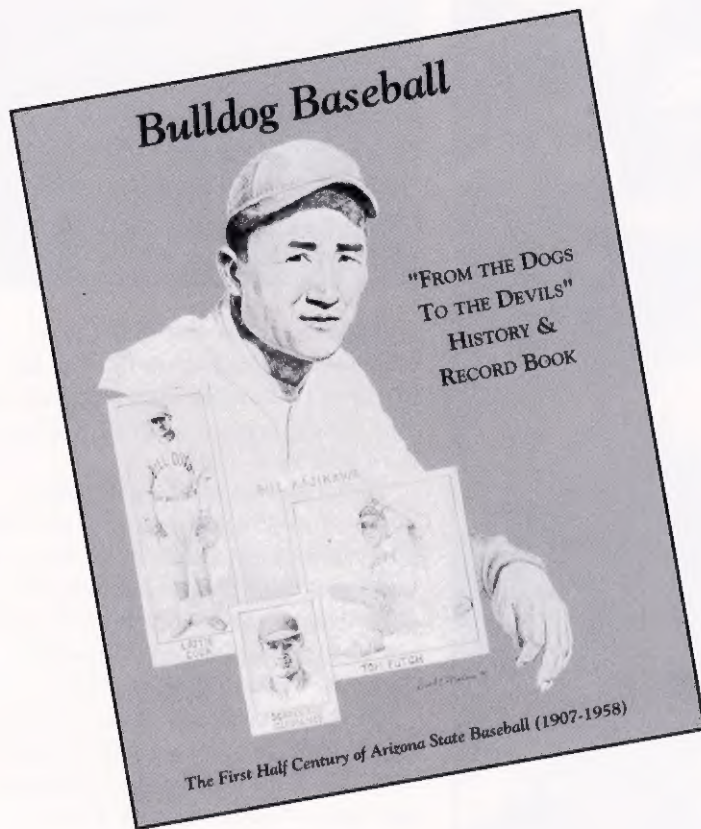
He kicked 10 of 15 field goals, made 31 of 35 extra points, and 50 of 59 kickoffs went either in or out of the end zone. But this has been no surprise. He averaged well over 40 yards per kick during his prep career at Glendale Union High School.

Of the 25 newcomers on campus, 10 are local Arizona schoolboy products, and most come out of outstanding high school programs. They include defensive back Brian Galbreath (5-10, 170) and tight end Ryan McRae (6-4, 225) from Phoenix Cortez; TE Mason Hess (6-5, 230) and tailback Earl Nelson (5-9, 175), teammates at Phoenix South Mountain; teammates Brian Guliford (5-10, 165) and Devedrick Stanton (6-0, 205) at Peoria; defensive end Chuck Griffen (6-3, 220) from Mesa Red Mountain; tackle Matt Johnson (6-2, 290) from Tucson Amphi; safety Justin Neuman (6-3, 195) of Lakeside Blue Ridge; and local standout Ben Petrucci (6-2, 230), a two-way tackle at nearby Flagstaff High.

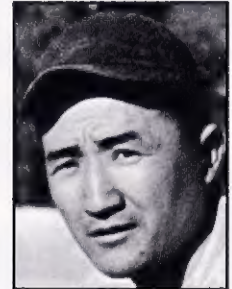
For the first time in 13 seasons, Nevada will be laying championship plans outside the Big Sky. The Wolf Pack had finished first or second seven times in the past 10 years, but in July joined the Big West Conference, leaving Idaho, Montana, Boise State and Weber to make the loudest noise, although NAU figures to be strong enough to have a say in the '92 race if they remain healthy.

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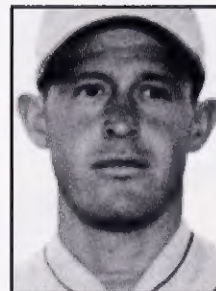
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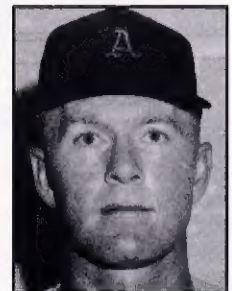
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1992 Northern Arizona FRIDAY NIGHT HEROES



Blue Ridge all-state fullback/linebacker Jim Sprotte.
(White Mountain Independent photo)

This is **Flagstaff Football Magazine's** checklist of outstanding varsity players for the upcoming 1992 high school football season:

QB ...Jim Richardson, Bradshaw Mtn., 6-3, 185
RB ...Caesar Polk, Flagstaff, 6-2, 175
RB ...Brett Noble, Show Low, 6-1, 195
RB ...Spencer Ellsworth, St. Johns, 5-11, 178
RB ...Morgan Bingham, Fredonia, 6-1, 201
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WR...Brett Brewer, Snowflake, 6-2, 175
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OT...Gaines Du Vall, Cave Creek, 6-2, 235
OT...Ryan Lingenfelder, Lake Havasu, 6-3, 255
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LB ...Murlin Larson, Snowflake, 5-9, 185
DL...Brian Bell, St. Johns, 6-2, 272
DL...Robert Quackenbush, Show Low, 6-2, 250
DE ...Hamilton Mee, Mingus Union, 6-2, 235
DE ...Derek Weber, Cave Creek, 5-11, 170
DB ...Jimmy Merrill, Show Low, 5-10, 170
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PK...Blain Crowther, Snowflake, 6-1, 170



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Chris Smith, Winslow, 6-1, 185
Ronnie Cain, Camp Verde, 6-0, 190
Chris Schutte, Blue Ridge, 6-1, 175
Sammy Cockerel, Coconino, 6-2, 190
*Troy Head, Mayer, 6-1, 150
*Andy Stevens, Fredonia, 6-1, 170
James Richardson, Brad. Mtn., 6-3, 185
*Kip Nungester, Bagdad, 5-10, 160
Ben Wolford, Parker, 6-3, 190

running backs

Jeremy Walker, Round Valley, 5-10, 175
Adrian Smith, Winslow, 5-9, 160
Max Ryden, Payson, 5-8, 160
Danny Filleman, Sinagua, 6-0, 185
Tyler Tenney, Prescott, 5-7, 170
*Hiro Sakai, Orme Ranch, 5-6, 160
Caesar Polk, Flagstaff, 6-2, 175
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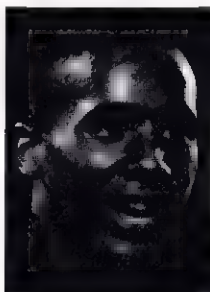
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Kevin O'Keefe, Chino Valley, 6-1, 195

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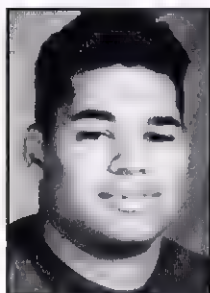
Steve Johnson, Cave Creek, 6-2, 225 (jr)
Brandon Dalley, Wickenburg, 6-1, 215



Gaines DuVall
Cave Creek



Jim Richardson
Bradshaw Mtn.



Hamilton Mee
Mingus Union



Brandon Clark
Show Low

Trent Penrod, Blue Ridge, 5-10, 185
*Blake Gaylord, Mogollon, 5-10, 140

linemen

Justin White, Payson, 6-5, 235
Josh Smith, Snowflake, 6-3, 230
Ben Ashton, Snowflake, 6-3, 230
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Nelson Lewis, Winslow, 5-10, 190
Johnny Mirromon, Blue Ridge, 5-10, 185
Walker Jordan, Blue Ridge, 6-1, 220
*Scott Dent, Williams, 6-2, 220
Eric Light, St. Johns, 5-10, 250
Clint Haddox, Holbrook, 6-0, 270
Brian Swanson, Prescott, 6-2, 240
Brian Cooper, Camp Verde, 6-0, 240
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Terry Staggs, Mohave, 6-4, 270 (jr)
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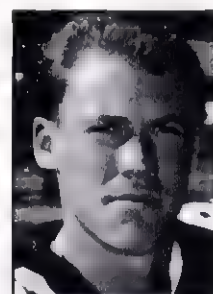
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Year-after-year, Flagstaff High School cranks out all-state running backs, and here's another one: Caesar Polk, a 6-2, 175-pounder who rushed for 1,926 yards and scored 28 touchdowns for the Eagles (Arizona Daily Sun photo).

Eagles Still Fly'n High!

4A GRAND CANYON FLAGSTAFF

Where does Flagstaff High School get all those running backs? The Eagles have had their share, and more. From legendary Eddie Jackel to the great James Dugan ... from Stan Gill to David Winsley ... to the school's latest rabbit - tailback Caesar Polk.

Unlike the many all-staters before him, this Caesar has only one season of varsity experience under his helmet. But what a season. Last fall, the junior flash carried the ball 231 times for 1,926 yards (8.3 ypc.) and 24 rushing touchdowns.

He caught 28 passes for 439 yards and three more scores. He even threw the ball 11 times, completing four for 50 yards. He returned nine punts for 149 yards (16.6 ypr.), and ran back eight kickoffs for 312 yards (39.0 ypr.) and another TD. A dangerous open

field runner, he twice scored six touchdowns in a single game (see record section). First, against Page, then against rival Coconino, before the home town fans in the NAU Skydome.

Altogether, Polk scored 168 points for a 7-2-2 club which tied Mingus Union for the conference crown, then dropped a playoff game to Phoenix Thunderbird in the first round.

Another Flag High trademark is speed - lots of it. "With our speed, it is a real advantage for us to play indoors on the carpet," smiles head coach John Padilla. This fall the Eagles have seven home games, five in "The Dome." The other two are at Coconino High School.

Senior Clint McHood (5-11, 180) is the FHS quarterback. He is a steady player. He will have three of the best receivers in 4A ball to play catch with: WR Dwayne Rodriguez (5-10, 165), WR Rick Pearsall (5-10, 160) and

promising TE Dan Rhoton (6-3, 180), a junior with 4.9 speed. The real burner is Rodriguez, a sprinter on the track team who has clocked 4.4 for 40 yards indoors. His is the first four-year football letterman at FHS since James Dugan in 1960-63. Pearsall is a good "possession" receiver.

Tough Jim Colmenero (5-11, 180) and speedy Dayne Nelson (5-11, 180) join Mike Lozano (5-10, 185) to give the Eagles a good trio of linebackers. Nelson, the second fastest Eagle with 4.55 speed, also lines up at fullback. Another promising junior is TE Nick Petrucci (6-1, 180), the team's kicker.

But the key to Flag's success this season will come in the line. If the following seniors develop in the off-season and show leadership qualities, Flag will be in the hunt: OT/DT Mike Casados (6-4, 240), OT/DT Kevin Kistner (6-5, 225), OT/DT Joe Lucero (6-1, 225), OT/DT Mike McCollough

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Wins	School	Years
504	Mesa	1920-91
464	Tucson	1912-91
419	Safford	1925-91
392	Winslow	1915-91
385	Douglas	1906-91
381	Gilbert	1923-91
375	Round Valley	1921-91
353	Phoenix Union	1913-81
353	Flagstaff	1923-91
345	Miami	1923-91
338	Snowflake	1929-91
329	Tempe	1924-91
302	Globe	1924-91

(6-2, 205), OG/NG Javier Sedillo (5-11, 195), and center Ezra Page (6-0, 160), a linebacker on defense. Most of this green crew has good athletic ability, but is not varsity-tested.

MINGUS UNION

While speed is a trademark at schools like Flagstaff, size and strength is Mingus Union's strong points. The Marauders, coached by Bill Rudolph, earned league co-champ honors after a 6-4-1 campaign. It was the school's third league championship in five years. "We've made the playoffs four out of five years now, but we'll be young and inexperienced this time," says Rudolph. "We'll have to play outstanding defense while our offense matures."

The nucleus of the school's strong line will center around senior Hamilton Mee (6-2, 235), a two-way end with size, strength and good quickness (4.9). He's considered one of the three top linemen in northern Arizona. Roaming all over the field, Mee caused three fumbles and recorded 10 quarterback sacks.

Although not as big or quick as Mee, senior Carlos Zuniga (5-11, 225) is a capable two-way tackle. With linebacker Joe Kleck (5-10, 190) right behind them, and defensive back Charlie Brown (5-10, 185) behind him, Mingus has the makings of another stout defensive unit. Brown, with 4.6 speed, is the quickest Marauder on campus, and doubles at running back. Senior Jason Palosaari is another linebacker, although small at 5-9, 175.

The coaching staff is counting on quarterback Joey Mongini, a 6-2, 170-pound junior, to run the offense. Only a lack of experience faces him, as the young signal caller has all the tools to develop into a fine field general.

Two items in Mingus Union's favor: Depth and young talent. Last fall, the Marauders' junior varsity didn't lose a game. Winning becomes habit forming. Watch for Rudolph's Wing-T offense to improve from week to week.

1992 Northern Arizona Prep Poll

CLASS 4A

1. Flagstaff Eagles
2. Mingus Union Marauders
3. Kingman Bulldogs
4. Prescott Badgers
5. Flagstaff Coconino Panthers
6. Flagstaff Sinagua Mustangs
7. Bullhead City Thunderbirds
8. Page Sand Devils

CLASS 3A

1. Snowflake Lobos
2. Blue Ridge Yellowjackets
3. Bradshaw Mountain Bears
4. Show Low Cowboys
5. Round Valley Elks
6. Payson Longhorns
7. Parker Broncos
8. Lake Havasu Knights

CLASS 2A

1. St. Johns Redskins
2. Camp Verde Cowboys
3. Wickenburg Wranglers
4. Cave Creek Falcons
5. Chino Valley Cougars

CLASS 1A (8-Man)

1. Mayer Wildcats
2. Williams Vikings
3. Mogollon Mustangs
4. Fredonia Lynx
5. Orme Warriors

KINGMAN

The Bulldogs' biggest problem last year was the Bulldogs. During the season, Coach Ray Smith lost 15 players (11 starters) through discipline action, resulting in a 3-7 finish. Since the

junior varsity went 6-2, it looks like help is on the way. "We'll be young, but very dedicated. The 'Bullogs should get better each week."

Even with all the problems, opposing coaches pick Kingman to be in the hunt. One reason is RB/DB Tony Victory (5-7, 170), who doesn't have the size, but has the name and all the spirit of an outstanding high school player. Defensively, if opponents throw a lot in his direction, Victory will lead the league in pass interceptions. Fullback Chris Dunshie (6-0, 190), who plays a down lineman on defense, and quarterback Jason Edwards (6-1, 170), a promising signal caller with 4.9 speed, are two 'Dogs with potential. Both are juniors.

COCONINO

"What a difference a year makes." That's exactly what George Moate hopes to say in November. "We only had one starter back from a year before, in addition to splitting the school with Sinagua High School," says the Panthers' mentor, whose club went 2-8. "We had only four seniors. We now have 22. That makes a big difference. We have rebuilt and will be competitive again. This class had a winning record as sophomores."

Quarterback Sam Cockerel (6-2, 190) is the key. If he plays like a vet, the Panthers are set. With 4.8 speed, he's a threat on rollouts and throws the ball well. With tight end Tommy Smith (6-0, 210) in the lineup, Cockerel has a good-sized receiver to go to, although Smith might be a better linebacker. Speedy Mitch Latham (5-10, 150) is a WR with 4.6 speed.

But this season, the key to Coconino's success will be the line, and seniors like Jeremy Covillard (6-1, 210) and Shane Tsosie (6-6, 280), the biggest newcomer in the 4A Grand Canyon Region, must come through. The Panthers appear to have three good runners in Gabe Bardwell (6-1, 185), junior Tavis Johns (5-8, 155), and Gabe Moya (5-10, 175), a good two-way player returning from a pre-season injury.

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the North. Although Ed Campos' forces finished 2-7-1, they competed very well in varsity play, especially in the first six games. Scores were close. The Mustangs lost big to only two schools: Flagstaff and Mingus Union, the region's co-champs. But the Wild Horses won their last two games, against rival Coconino and Kingman.

"We continue to build the program," says Campos, who returns 24 letter winners. "The student body and players are very excited about the upcoming season."

Also encouraging is the young players in the program. Last fall, the JV unit finished 5-1-2, with six potential starters on the varsity. In fact, the varsity Mustangs started six sophs on defense and five on offense.

The team's top-rated seniors appear to be tailback Danny Filleman (6-0, 185) and DE/TE Brad Priestman (6-2, 188), with the rest of the key players representing the junior class: LB Jeremy Bewley (5-9, 180), HB Danny Caputo (5-10, 175), OT Scott Pieters (6-0, 210), and TE Seth Roan (6-0, 175). Linebacker Brad Conway, center Greg Sampson and safety Jay Campos, the coach's son, are also juniors.

One senior not to be overlooked is Charlie Hernandez, the Mustangs' signal caller. If he comes through in the clutch, the Sinagua QB slot will be set, and the Mustangs might find themselves in the thick of the region race. Not bad for a brand new school.

PAGE

Page, under Mike Copeland, improved from 0-10 two years ago to 4-6. Entering last fall's campaign, the Sand Devils had four promising juniors in the lineup who are now varsity-tested seniors: TB Mike Jensen (6-2, 165), OT Levi Meyers (6-0, 235), and guards Raymond Byrd (5-11, 201) and Wilfred Yazzie (5-9, 170). All four play defense when needed.

4A WEST VALLEY MOHAVE

Experience shouldn't be a problem at Mohave, where Terry King returns 17 solid veterans from a 3-7 club which had a chance to win six games. "We lost three games by a total of

three points," says the Thunderbirds' head coach.

Coaches usually don't like to signal out underclassmen first, but it's hard to overlook tackle Terry Staggs, a 6-4, 270 pound junior who started as a soph. Linebackers Randy Winkles (6-1, 225) and Tony Cruz (6-3, 205) give the 'Birds needed size and experience to form a solid defense. In fact, defense should be Mohave's strength, with LB Cliff Barrett (6-1, 200), DB Chad Hardesty (6-1, 185), DB Wade Parker (5-11, 190), LB Jesse Kruse (5-11, 220), and down linemen like Ricky Vance (6-0, 265), Gus Holt (5-11, 265), and Chad Tolliver (6-2, 225) all beefed up from an improved summer weight lifting program.

For the 'Birds to compete in the West Valley Region, the toughest 4A league in the state, they'll need all the beef and strength they can muster up.

4A SKYLINE PRESCOTT

Even veteran coach Bill Gahn was surprised at Prescott's 7-4 finish, as the Badgers got great senior leadership during what was predicted to be a rebuilding year.

"We'll be young again," claims Gahn, the Badgers' head coach since 1979. "But we have eight juniors back who lettered as sophomores. Plus, we play in a tough league with the Phoenix schools."

Prescott's best back should be senior Tyler Tenney (5-7, 170), and their best lineman tackle Brian Swanson (6-2, 240), the strongest Badger in camp. Junior center Doug Crawford (6-0, 195) is no slouch, and Mark Hale (6-2, 190) is a sound defensive back.

3A EAST REGION SNOWFLAKE

Coach Jim Beall's ship finally came in. After three frustrating years, the Lobos' coach finally won it all. His talented club knocked off unbeaten Miami, 33-10 in the 3A finals, the school's eighth state crown since 1955.

"We have another great crop of kids," says the Lobos' head coach, whose team finished 11-1-1. "If they keep the team attitude and work hard

in the summer, we'll have another great season. We have good speed and strength."

The defending champs also have good linemen and great depth. Over 20 lettermen are back and the JV squad went 8-1. One of the best football towns in northern Arizona is on a roll.

Snowflake has one of the better all-round athletes in the league, senior Brett Brewer (6-2, 175), a wide receiver-defensive back-kick returner with 4.6 speed. Brewer's best game was in September, a 47-34 win over defending state champ Blue Ridge. He scored three touchdowns, two on kickoff returns of 98 and 90 yards. Last spring, he landed all-state honors as an outfielder on the Lobos' baseball team.

The state champs kicking game is sound, with senior Blaine Crowther (6-1, 170) in the lineup. He's booted a school record 66 extra points so far, and is one of the best kickoff men in the state. Senior Murlin Larson may be small (5-9, 185) but he's one of the best linebackers around. And seniors Ray Turley (6-2, 190), Tom Caldwell (6-1, 165) and Ian Smith (5-9, 160) give Snowflake a good collection of two-way backs. Little Donny Saline (5-9, 150) joins Brewer at the wideout.

But the Lobos' strength is the line, which includes Will Whipple (5-10, 185), Dustin Harris (6-0, 185), Josh Smith (6-3, 230), and Ben Ashton (6-3, 230) from the senior class.

According to Beall, whose father Charles was a former Mesa High and Arizona State star, the 3A-East is in for a fight, again. "It's a toss-up. We have four or five schools that could make it to the final four. Show Low (which beat the Lobos), Blue Ridge, Snowflake or Round Valley will all be in the hunt. Winslow could be a sleeper."

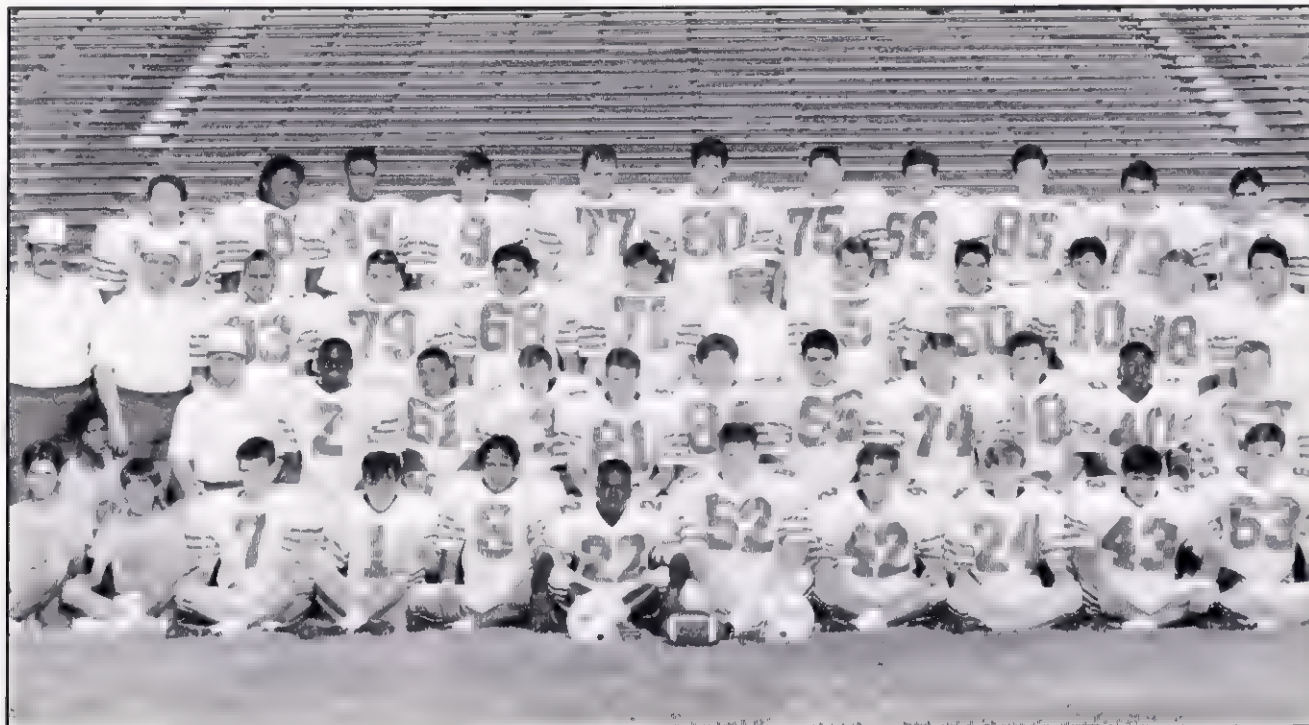
BLUE RIDGE

It was real close. Blue Ridge, coached by Paul Moro, was trying to three-peat. But a near perfect 9-2 campaign came to halt in a snowstorm against Bradshaw Mountain, as the Yellowjackets lost both their quarter-back and the game, 18-6. It was the 3A quarterfinals, and the two-time state champs' season came to an end.

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"We still had a great season, averaging over 400 yards per game," says Moro, one of the state's most successful young coaches. "We return a lot of junior starters. Physically, we'll have our strongest team ever."

That's bad news for everybody. In Jim Sprotte (6-3, 220), Moro might have one of the strongest linebackers in the nation. Last spring, the 'Jackets' all-stater ran 40 yards in 4.7 seconds, benched 350 pounds, squatted 575 and cleaned 350. He's a terror from his full-back position and should be one of the state's top recruited players.

Senior Trent Penrod (5-10, 185) will be the best center in all of 3A. On defense he's a tackle. Senior Chris Shutte (6-1, 175) is a good thrower and the school's best running QB ever. He started in both the state semis and finals in 1990. Two-way tackle Walker Jordan (6-1, 200) has started for three years. Johnny Mirromon (5-10, 185) is an outstanding defensive end.

Other Yellowjackets with all-league potential include WR/DB Mike Boucher, OT/DT Jared Carlson, TE/DE Jason Fish, TE/LB Roy Paquette and RB/LB Ian Hathcock, to list a few. Guard Jess Iannoli, running back Rolland Webb and kicker Mike Spear are excellent players.

One young player to watch is sophomore Scooter Sprotte (5-10, 180), another promising linebacker - just like his brother. As a freshman, Scooter benched 305 pounds, squatted 400, cleaned 225 and ran a 4.8 forty. Also, Russ Jones (6-3, 175) is just a sophomore, but he will give Chris Schutte competition for the starting job at quarterback.

SHOW LOW

Another big, physical team in the north is Show Low, 7-2-1 last fall under Gary Mauldin. In fact, the Cougars managed to beat state champ Snowflake, 27-21, in overtime.

Over 20 lettermen return, including signal caller Jimmy Merrill (5-10, 170), running back Brett Noble (6-1, 195) and tackle Robert Quackenbush (6-2, 250), three of the better players in all of northern Arizona. Two transfers, QB Bill Robertson and end Marty Williams, should boost both the offense and defense. Williams high jumped 6-8 last

spring and should help the receiving corps.

Brandon Clark (6-1, 225) is another two-way performer with all-league potential. On defense he plays one end position, and little (5-7, 160) Brian Brown plays the other. Guards Aaron O'Dell (6-0, 190) and Orrin Halter (6-0, 195), along with center David Cooper (5-11, 185) make up that offensive line. Show Low fans are expecting big things from this fall.

ROUND VALLEY

For the first time in 20 years, Tot Workman had a losing season. The Elks went 4-5 last year, but that won't last. Especially since they open the season indoors. In the ensphere. Yes, folks in town are hoping the players are as pumped as the fans.

Workman, one of three active Arizona coaches with 200-plus wins - 217 to be exact - might have a sleeper at quarterback. If Gather Martin (6-3, 190) comes through, the Elks will be in good shape. He is quick (4.7) and throws the ball well. Senior Kenny Carlson (6-1, 170) is his ace receiver.

Coming out of the backfield, running or catching the ball, will be seniors Jeremy Walker (5-10, 175) and Tom Finch (6-0, 175). On defense, Walker is a linebacker, Finch a deep back.

The rest of Round Valley's top players are linemen Jeff Soderquist (6-0, 190), Brent Wiltbank (6-3, 210), Jarrod Brown (6-1, 215) and Danny Mullenau (6-2, 190), who also plays linebacker. These four and their teammates get an early season test when they host rival St. Johns in the second game of the season.

PAYSON

The Longhorns won their non-league games, including a 26-7 win over 4A Flagstaff Sinagua, but finished 4-4-1 overall. "It's a tough conference," explains Max Foster. "We lost a lot of experience, but our good JV team and some talented sophomores should help."

Three seniors stand tree-tall above the rest: RB Max Ryden (5-8, 160), WR Jeff Buerger (5-9, 165) and tackle Justin White (6-5, 235).

"Our greatest acquisition this year is former Mesa Community college head coach Dan Dunn," says Foster. "He will really help our staff. He's a great coach and a great person."

The 'Horns were competitive in almost every game, falling to such schools as Snowflake, 9-6 in a tough, hard fought game. Linebacker Josh Koon (5-8, 155), QB Jimmy Oestman (5-10, 160), WR Clifford Pirch (5-7, 145) and OG Jason Anderson (5-11, 170) are four juniors who could make a big impact.

HOLBROOK

A youth movement looks underway in Holbrook, where Coach Brian Miller's young, inexperienced club hopes to get better with age ... or as the season progresses. "We had a pretty good team, even though we finished 3-5," says Miller, whose squad beat St. Johns 21-19. "We just play in a real tough league."

Tackle Clint Haddox, a 6-0, 270-pound senior, appears to be the top vet in camp. The rest of the lineup includes underclassmen like junior QB Matt Kiepke (5-10, 160), and sophomores Chris White (6-0, 200), Joe Godinez (5-8, 150) and Matt Baldonado (5-10, 155). The latter two are receivers who double in the secondary. White is a tight end-linebacker.

WINSLOW

Winslow, once a powerhouse in football, has come across hard times. Coach Rich Hoyt's Bulldogs finished 2-7. "We were decent," says Hoyt. "We play in a tough league. We played well at the end and won our first league game in three seasons."

However, only 11 lettermen return. The 'Dogs had a poor junior varsity (1-7) along with no frosh team. They could be better, but a lack of linemen could spell gloom and doom.

The key figure might be senior signal caller Chris Smith (6-1, 185), along with junior back Adrian Smith (5-9, 160) and linemen John Sundwall (6-5, 220) and Nelson Lewis (5-10, 190).

Smith (the running back) and junior teammate Delhi Hayes (5-7, 145) are the fastest 'Dogs in camp - with 4.6

speed. Little Chris Gonzales (5-7, 190) is a quick, tough guard.

3A WEST REGION

BRADSHAW MT.

From a once small school in the Prescott Valley, to a fast growing, high profile program - with the region's high profile player - Bradshaw Mountain is in the spotlight.

Last fall, the Bears advanced all the way to the 3A semifinals, where unbeaten Miami ended their season at 8-4. One week earlier, Steve Moran's gutty bunch upset defending state champ Blue Ridge, 18-6 in a snow-storm in Lakeside. That was probably the biggest win in the school's history.

"The kids did a great job considering our lack of experience," says Moran, son of former Wickenburg coaching legend Ralph Moran. "We only had four seniors on the team and not much size."

Talent-wise, the biggest Bear in camp is QB/DB James Richardson (6-3, 185), one of the state's top three college prospects ... if not the top. Last year's Northern Arizona Player of the Year (co-sponsored annually by the Fiesta Bowl and Flagstaff Football magazine) has completed 127 of 238 passes for 2,055 yards and 23 TDs to date.

Add to that 110 carries for 983 yards and 11 scores, 13 punt returns for 187 yards and two TDs, seven pass interceptions for 130 yards and another score, and you have a player who can score from any place on the field - at any time.

But this fall, for the Bears to advance farther into the playoffs, they need to find receivers who can catch the ball. Help might come in the form of Tom Leigh (6-3, 170), a rangy end who was injured last season, or newcomer Brian Kendyer (6-2, 170). Running back Chris Dermer (6-0, 185) will lead a swift flock of receivers coming out of the backfield. Les Edwards and Terry Eckerman will back up Dermer. Edwards ran 100 meters in 11.1 seconds and "could be a solid player," according to his coach.

The Bears' line is strong in certain areas. Tackle Jason Shaver (6-2, 205), and mini-linemen Matt Borowski (5-8, 175), the center, and Paul Budd (5-8,

160), a guard, all started. Guard-linebacker Carson Yandell (5-10, 177) is also back, but is trying to recover from a basketball injury.

"We do have some depth, but no size," adds Moran. "But we never have size. We have to rely on quickness and aggressiveness.

"Defensively, we will fill in the gaps with inexperienced players, who are good athletes. Richardson, Shaver, Provence, Dermer, Forte, Hart, Budd and Branch are returning. We have some good, inexperienced kids to work with."

One scary thought if you coach in the 3A West: If Bradshaw Mountain's receivers develop "board hands" in the off season - and can't catch anything - watch for Moran and his staff to switch Richardson to a wideout and throw the ball to him. There's nobody in the 3A West - or any region of the state - who can cover him.

PARKER

The Broncos, coached by Mike Wolford, reached all the way to the semis in the head coach's second year at the helm. Snowflake ended the Bronco's dream, 33-14.

"It was an excellent year for our program," says Wolford. "We won our conference and advanced to the playoffs. We are optimistic. We will be much bigger along the line, but inexperienced. We will still have good skill people."

One of those good skilled players is the coach's son, 6-3, 190-pound senior QB Ben. He runs 40 yards in 4.7 seconds. Linebacker Dennis Welsh (5-10, 190) might also be one of the better players in the 3A West. Up front, wide bodies Jason Harned and Greg Hurtado, two 6-2, 245-pound seniors, look like giant twins in the Bronco's blue & gold uniforms. Backs Kennel Draper (5-10, 175) and Chad Woodard (5-9, 175) play offense, defensive back or linebacker.

LAKE HAVASU

Making the playoffs wasn't a problem in Lake Havasu. The Knights accomplished that last fall, going 7-4 after falling to Miami, 12-0 in a hard fought contest. Keeping a head coach

is. This year Bill Kucera will be the school's fourth in six years.

Just like rival Parker, the Knights will start the coach's son at QB, junior Adam Kucera (5-9, 170). In fact, three of Lake Havasu's top five players look to be juniors, including DB Jason Illian (6-2, 170) and LB Rick Erickson (5-11, 180). The strength of the defense will be linebacker, where Erickson is joined by senior Shawn Vaca (5-9, 170). These two aren't very big, but are active, good hitters.

Still, the school's best prospect is a senior, two-way guard Ryan Lingenfelder (6-3, 255), one of the top interior linemen in the 3A West Region. "He's a good one," says his head coach. "He's real strong. We should be good. It looks promising. I'm new, so I don't know much about the top players or teams in the league."

2A NORTH REGION

ST. JOHNS

One of the best football programs in 2A ball resides in St. Johns, where head coach Mike Morgan guided his club through a 9-2 campaign - without the school's best player playing one down. Mike Cook, Mr. All-Everything for the Redskins in 1990, moved to Mesa, and became Mountain View's MVP, not to mention the Mesa city player-of-the-year.

"We had a good year, but not as well as expected," says Morgan, "considering losing Mike to Mountain View. The kids did well, though."

They did better than well, they played 11 games and went all the way to the quarterfinals, where they dropped a heart-breaker to Willcox.

"Graduation took its toll," explains Morgan. "We have some talent, but we will not be as strong as last year. We will be young and inexperienced."

Still, the 'Skins will have three of the better players in 2A football: OT/DT Brian Bell (6-2, 272), QB/DB Carol Lambson (6-1, 175) and RB/LB Spencer Ellsworth (5-11, 178).

Bell is a two-time state wrestling champ, can slam dunk a volleyball, has a 31-inch vertical jump, runs 40 yards in 4.9 seconds and is a good student. He's also a good football player, to say the least. In a backup role,

Lambson tossed 41 passes, hit for 18 and two touchdowns. He rushed for 355 yards on 36 carries and scored four times. Ellsworth, with 4.6 speed, rushed for 1,273 yards on 198 carries and scored 26 TDs. He and Flagstaff junior Caesar Polk were the two highest scoring backs in northern Arizona last fall.

Joining Bell on St. Johns' tough line will be senior Eric Light (5-10, 250), and juniors Garrett Neagle (6-0, 205), Matt Fish (6-3, 185) and Ron Dimbatt (5-10, 185), all good two-way players. Senior Riley Timmer (6-0, 160) and juniors Frank Pena (5-11, 185), Ryan Patterson (6-0, 175) and Quinn Ashton (5-11, 160) are gifted skill players who can play more than one position.

Last fall Ashton, the Redskins' kicker, booted five field goals (longest 39 yds.) and 21 extra points - as a sophomore.

It will be an interesting season for the 'Skins in more ways than one. They have an early season date on the road against 3A rival Round Valley, indoors in the Elks' new dome, and, before the season ends, have another shot at making the 2A playoffs.

2A NORTH CENTRAL CAMP VERDE

"The Cowboys finished another good season, considering our youth," says head coach Doug Lee, whose young club went 7-2-1. "Our two losses were to the state champion (Florence) and the runnerup (Ray). We were in both games, and had an opportunity to win each one. The experience will help."

Yes, the potential exists for another good season in Cowboy Country, as Camp Verde returns a flock of starters, including four of the top players in the

2A North Central: QB/LB Ronnie Cain (6-0, 190), two-way tackles Brian Cooper (6-0, 240) and David Gaines (6-2, 288), and FB/DL Jimmy Sanders (6-1, 195), a second team all-state selection who, according to opposing coaches, is the Cowboys' best player.

Two of the quicker Cowboys in camp are running back Travis Wester (5-8, 175) and wide receiver Josh Weigel (6-2, 165). With 4.6 speed, Wester is a home run threat, while Weigel's good hands and 4.7 range give QB Cain a good target to throw to. Last year Cain passed for 797 yards and eight TDs.

If Camp Verde's passing game hits on all cylinders, the Cowboys might advance a lot farther into the playoffs than in recent years.

WICKENBURG

After a year's absence, the Wranglers, coached by Jon Hill, bounced back into the playoffs. After falling to Ray in the quarterfinals, Wickenburg finished 7-2-1.

In senior Joe Glover (5-11, 185), the Wranglers return a second team all-state linebacker, who also plays fullback. Glover recorded 25 solo tackles and 75 assists. Guard Adrian Orona (6-0, 210) is an honor student who stars in basketball and baseball as well. Center Brandon Dalley (6-1, 215) returns, along with quarterback Travis Hearn (5-9, 160). Junior Scott Drescher (5-9, 150), a two-way back with 4.7 speed, lettered as a sophomore.

CAVE CREEK

Cactus Shadows High School, located in Cave Creek, started seven sophomores and finished 4-5. But the Falcons missed the playoffs by only 12

points: 27-22 to Camp Verde; 14-7 to Wickenburg. The line, one of the best in 2A ball, is set. Potential all-stars Gaines Du Vall (6-2, 235) and Steve Johnson (6-2, 225, jr.) lead the charge. One all-stater is back, DE Derek Weber (5-11, 170), a small but tough defender with radar for the ball.

Two-way players in Gerry LaBelle's forward wall include Devin Verhulst (6-0, 180), Josh Hughes (5-10, 180), Abe Geupel (6-1, 175), Jonathan Clancy (5-11, 200), Mark Kautzman (6-2, 205), Robert Huth (6-1, 210) and Chris Smith (6-2, 165), to name a few. Senior Marc Reid will run the Falcons' T-formation offense, along with halfbacks Scott Clifton, Logan Sparks and Joey Hage. Sparks and Hage are juniors. Huth, the big linebacker, also plays fullback.

CHINO VALLEY

According to head coach Cal Tinch, it was a trying season for the Cougars, as a first year varsity program. His young club finished 3-5. "And we will have another very young team with a fair amount of talent," says Tinch. "It will be interesting to see how the talent develops."

For the Cougars to improve, seniors must take charge. That project might fall into the hands of two guards; Scott Skipper (5-11, 195) and Tom Gianfrancesco (5-8, 150), and two ends; Kevin O'Keefe (6-1, 195) and Mike Shivers (5-11, 165). All four star on both sides of the line.

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The Falcons, located northeast of Scottsdale, will play an independent schedule, with frosh and JV players only.

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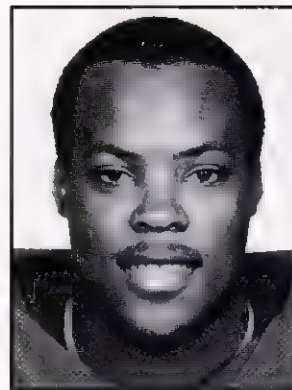
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TOUCHDOWNS (GAME)

8.....Trent Thompson, Chinle, 1986 (jr)
6.....Joe Spear, Snowflake, 1958
6.....Dillard Nelson, Williams, 1970
6.....Trent Thompson, Chinle, 1986 (jr)
6.....Caesar Polk, Flagstaff, 1991 (jr)
6.....Caesar Polk, Flagstaff, 1991 (jr)
5.....Elmer Shull, Kingman, 1927
5.....Roy Campbell, Prescott, 1945
5.....Charley Jones, Prescott, 1955
5.....Terry Penrod, McNary, 1956
5.....Emmett Wesler, Williams, 1961
5.....James Dugan, Flagstaff, 1963
5.....Lewis Renfro, Winslow, 1963
5.....Jack Johnson, Round Valley, 1969
5.....Bud Nash, Kingman, 1970
5.....Pat Rubio, St. Johns, 1970
5.....Sid Udall, Round Valley, 1973
5.....Danny Beckworth, Page, 1975
5.....Danny Beckworth, Page, 1975
5.....David Trueblood, Coconino, 1981
5.....Stan Gill, Flagstaff, 1981
5.....David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1985
5.....Scott Heap, St. Johns, 1987
5.....George Kregelberg, Camp Verde, 1987
5.....Jeremy Hathcock, Blue Ridge, 1989(jr)

TOUCHDOWNS (SEASON)

35.....Stan Gill, Flagstaff, 1981
35.....Jeremy Hathcock, Blue Ridge, 1989
33.....Dillard Nelson, Williams, 1970
29.....Danny Beckwith, Page, 1975
29.....David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1985
28.....Ron Carillo, Round Valley, 1966 (jr)
28.....Caesar Polk, Flagstaff, 1991 (jr)
27.....Guy Grover, Prescott, 1987
26.....Tom Fruth, Payson, 1981
26.....Chris Matthews, Round Valley, 1981
26.....Trent Thompson, Chinle, 1987
26.....Spencer Ellsworth, St. Johns, 1991 (jr)
25.....Billy Hatcher, Williams, 1978
25.....David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1984 (jr)
25.....Josh Freegard, Mingus Union, 1991

TOUCHDOWNS (CAREER)

70.....Travis Palmer, Camp Verde, 1988-91
62.....David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1983-85

60.....Jeremy Hathcock, Blue Ridge, 1988-90
59.....Stan Gill, Flagstaff, 1979-81
52.....Tom Fruth, Payson, 1978-81
51.....Mark Hamblin, Round Valley, 1969-71
50.....Dillard Nelson, Williams, 1969-70
47.....James Dugan, Flagstaff, 1961-63

POINTS (GAME)

48.....Trent Thompson, Chinle, 1986
38.....Joe Spear, Snowflake, 1958
38.....Dillard Nelson, Williams, 1970
38.....Trent Thompson, Chinle, 1986
36.....Caesar Polk, Flagstaff, 1991 (jr)
36.....Caesar Polk, Flagstaff, 1991 (jr)

POINTS (SEASON)

244.....Jeremy Hathcock, BR, 1989 (jr)
229.....Stan Gill, Flagstaff, 1981
214.....Dillard Nelson, Williams, 1970
180.....David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1985
180.....Trent Thompson, Chinle, 1987
168.....Caesar Polk, Flagstaff, 1991 (jr)
162.....Billy Hatcher, Williams, 1978
162.....Chris Matthews, Round Valley, 1981
162.....Guy Grover, Prescott, 1987
156.....Tom Fruth, Payson, 1981
156.....Spencer Ellsworth, St. Johns, 1991 (jr)
155.....James Dugan, Flagstaff, 1963

POINTS (CAREER)

420.....Travis Palmer, Camp Verde, 1988-91
402.....Jeremy Hathcock, Blue Ridge, 1988-90
377.....Stan Gill, Flagstaff, 1979-81
372.....David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1983-85
324.....Dillard Nelson, Williams, 1969-70
316.....Mark Hamblin, Round Valley, 1969-71
315.....James Dugan, Flagstaff, 1960-63
312.....Tom Fruth, Round Valley, 1978-81

RUSHING YARDS (GAME)

469.....Stanley Jackson, Chinle, 1976
330.....Joe Spear, Snowflake, 1958
329.....David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1985
303.....David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1984 (jr)
297.....Danny Beckwith, Page, 1975
294.....Stan Gill, Flagstaff, 1981
291.....Jeremy Hathcock, Blue Ridge, 1989

275.....Jeff Holly, Blue Ridge, 1987 (jr)
275.....Jeremy Hathcock, Blue Ridge, 1990
274.....Caesar Polk, Flagstaff, 1991 (jr)

RUSHING YARDS (SEASON)

2,187...David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1984 (jr)
2,123...Tom Fruth, Payson, 1981
2,114...David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1985
2,111...Stan Gill, Flagstaff, 1981
2,062...Jeremy Hathcock, Blue Ridge, 1989
1,926...Caesar Polk, Flagstaff, 1991 (jr)
1,911...Ammon Lambson, Round Valley, 1990
1,876...Chris Matthews, Round Valley, 1981
1,826...Harold Smith, Ganado, 1987 (jr)

RUSHING YARDS (CAREER)

4,985...Travis Palmer, Camp Verde, 1988-91
4,880...David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1983-85 (3)
4,461...Stan Gill, Flagstaff, 1979-81
4,265...Tom Fruth, Payson, 1978-81
3,877...Jeremy Hathcock, Blue Ridge, 1988-90
3,794...John Udall, Round Valley, 1982-84
3,736...Chris Matthews, RV, 1979-81
3,268...Jeff Holley, Blue Ridge, 1986-88
2,739...James Dugan, Flagstaff, 1960-63
2,701...Alonzo Orona, Round Valley, 1978-79

AVERAGE YARDS PER CARRY (SEASON)

14.1.....Jewell Russell, Coconino, 1978 (jr)
13.4.....Sid Udall, Round Valley, 1973
13.4.....Mike Gonzalez, Flagstaff, 1983
12.3.....Scott Hamblin, Round Valley, 1980
11.8.....Joe Spear, Snowflake, 1958
11.2.....Fred Whipple, Snowflake, 1954
11.0.....James Dugan, Flagstaff, 1963
11.0.....Danny Beckwith, Page, 1975
10.8.....Travis Palmer, Camp Verde, 1990 (jr)
10.5.....Jay Smith, Snowflake, 1979
10.4.....Jeremy Hathcock, BR, 1989 (jr)
10.4.....Dustin Johnson, Round Valley, 1990

AVERAGE YARDS PER GAME (SEASON)

192.2...David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1985
182.3...David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1984 (jr)
181.0...Jeremy Hathcock, Blue Ridge, 1990
175.1...Caesar Polk, Flagstaff, 1991 (jr)
171.4...Chris Mathews, Round Valley, 1981



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Winslow's Jimmy Scott (24) arrives too late to help bring down Snowflake's Chance Green during 34-13 'Flake win in 1991. Snowflake later won the school's 8th state title.

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN RUN

99.....Bob Bledsoe, Flagstaff, 1963
 99.....Steve Moncibaez, Mingus, 1985 (so)
 98.....Kelly LeSuer, Round Valley, 1976
 97.....Reggie Edwards, Page, 1973
 97.....Dennis Baker, Blue Ridge, 1983
 96.....Danny Beckwith, Page, 1974 (jr)
 96.....David Winsley, Flagstaff, 1985
 96.....Wally Lien, Blue Ridge, 1985
 95.....Charley Jones, Prescott, 1955
 95.....Gary Kiepke, Snowflake, 1962

QUARTERBACK SNEAK (TOUCHDOWN)

99.....Bob Bledsoe, Flagstaff, 1963
 99.....Steve Moncibaez, Mingus, 1985 (so)

PASSING YARDS (GAME)

449.....Jarrett Huma, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 440.....Jarrett Huma, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 435.....Gentry Gillespie, Round Valley, 1991
 393.....Jarrett Huma, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 393.....David Nelson, Parker, 1988
 380.....Paschal Kinsel, Chinle, 1977
 365.....Mike Orewyler, Mohave, 1977
 362.....Jarrett Huma, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 354.....Audie McKee, Coconino, 1983
 354.....Jarrett Huma, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 318.....Jarrett Huma, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 309.....Gary McEwen, Snowflake, 1982
 306.....Willy Nikolaus, Show Low, 1990
 302.....Gary McEwen, Snowflake, 1982

PASSING YARDS (SEASON)

2,923.....Jarrett Huma, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 2,719.....Gary McEwen, Snowflake, 1982
 2,098.....Audie McKee, Coconino, 1983

1,969.....Willy Nikolaus, Show Low, 1990
 1,902.....Bryan Baker, Blue Ridge, 1991
 1,837.....David Nelson, Parker, 1988
 1,822.....Dave Davison, Coconino, 1984
 1,767.....Willy Nikolaus, Show Low, 1989 (jr)
 1,753.....Gentry Gillespie, Round Valley, 1991
 1,751.....David Morgan, Parker, 1989 (jr)
 1,671.....Travis Hill, Kingman, 1990
 1,660.....Vinnie Zanzucchi, Flagstaff, 1983
 1,643.....Audie McKee, Coconino, 1982 (jr)

PASSING YARDS (CAREER)

5,291.....Jarrett Huma, Hopi, 1988-90
 4,375.....Joel England, Camp Verde, 1988-90
 4,026.....Travis Hill, Kingman, 1988-90
 3,823.....Willy Nikolaus, Show Low, 1988-90
 3,741.....Audie McKee, Coconino, 1982-83 (2)
 3,500.....David Nelson, Parker, 1986-88
 3,326.....Dave Davison, Round Valley, 1984-85
 3,276.....Eddie Hamblin, Coconino, 1979-81
 3,042.....Bryan Baker, Blue Ridge, 1990-91

TOUCHDOWN PASSES (GAME)

7.....Jarrett Huma, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 6.....Audie McKee, Coconino, 1983
 6.....Willy Nikolaus, Show Low, 1990
 5.....Joe Atterholt, Page, 1969
 5.....Eric Ramsey, Snowflake, 1983
 5.....Bert Gough, Flagstaff, 1984
 5.....Mike McMahn, Prescott, 1987
 5.....Bret Hood, Camp Verde, 1987
 5.....Joel England, Camp Verde, 1989 (jr)
 5.....Steve Reeser, Prescott, 1991

TOUCHDOWN PASSES (SEASON)

26.....Jarrett Huma, Hopi, 1988 (so)

25.....Willy Nikolaus, Show Low, 1990
 24.....Gary McEwen, Snowflake, 1982
 23.....Joe Atterholt, Page, 1969
 23.....Audie McKee, Coconino, 1983
 23.....Bret Hood, Camp Verde, 1987
 22.....Mike McMahn, Prescott, 1987
 21.....Greg Woodard, Page, 1968
 21.....David Morgan, Parker, 1989 (jr)

TOUCHDOWN PASSES (CAREER)

47.....Joel England, Camp Verde, 1988-90
 45.....Willy Nikolaus, Show Low, 1988-90
 42.....Travis Hill, Kingman, 1988-90
 41.....Jarrett Huma, Hopi, 1988-90
 40.....Audie McKee, Coconino, 1982-83 (2)

LONGEST TOUCHDOWN PASS

99.....Keola Bandman to Matt Hanners, Page, 1986
 97.....Eddie Hamblin to Dusty Eager, Round Valley, 1981
 96.....Rick Gwynne to Mike Epperson, Flagstaff, 1988
 90.....John Harvey to Dave Hinson, Prescott, 1957

RECEPTIONS (GAME)

19.....Bryan Marshall, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 18.....Randy Nikolaus, Show Low, 1982 (jr)
 18.....Mike Funk, Hopi, 1988
 18.....Bryan Marshall, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 17.....Mike Funk, Hopi, 1988
 17.....Mike Funk, Hopi, 1988
 13.....Mike Johnson, Parker, 1989
 13.....Hermon Logan, Round Valley, 1991
 12.....Dusty Eager, Round Valley, 1980 (jr)
 12.....Ky Christiansen, Lake Havasu, 1987
 12.....Bryan Marshall, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 12.....Mike Johnson, Parker, 1989

RECEPTIONS (SEASON)

89.....Randy Nikolaus, Show Low, 1982 (jr)
 83.....Mike Funk, Hopi, 1988
 77.....Bryan Marshall, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 77.....Mike Johnson, Parker, 1989
 66.....D.L. Nikolaus, Snowflake, 1962
 60.....Tony Tate, Snowflake, 1982
 59.....Clifford Nodman, Hopi, 1989
 57.....Brian Merrill, Show Low, 1990
 56.....Brian Merrill, Show Low, 1989 (jr)
 54.....Brian Maxwell, Show Low, 1989
 53.....David Kiepke, Camp Verde, 1990

RECEPTIONS (CAREER)

135.....Mike Johnson, Parker, 1987-89 (3)
 133.....Brian Merrill, Show Low, 1988-90
 132.....Herman Logan, Round Valley, 1989-91
 99.....Herman Logan, Round Valley, 1988-90
 96.....David Kiepke, Camp Verde, 1989-90

RECEIVING YARDS (GAME)

321.....Mike Funk, Hopi, 1988
 318.....Bryan Marshall, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 313.....Mike Funk, Hopi, 1988
 299.....Mike Funk, Hopi, 1988
 289.....Bryan Marshall, Hopi, 1988 (so)



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239.....Mike Johnson, Parker, 1989
 234.....Darrin Parker, Prescott, 1983 (jr)
 230.....Phillip Miller, Coconino, 1983

RECEIVING YARDS (SEASON)

1,276...Mike Johnson, Parker, 1989
 1,220...Mike Funk, Hopi, 1988
 1,088...Bryan Marshall, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 983...Dusty Eager, Round Valley, 1981
 978...Vince Pulsifer, Round Valley, 1978
 953...David Merrill, Show Low, 1990
 933...David Kiepk, Camp Verde, 1989 (jr)
 913...Clifford Nodman, Hopi, 1989
 905...Tony Tate, Snowflake, 1982

RECEIVING YARDS (CAREER)

2,137...Hermon Logan, Round Valley, 1989-91
 2,126...Mike Johnson, Parker, 1987-89 (3)
 2,002...Herman Logan Round Valley, 1989-91
 1,936...Dusty Eager, Round Valley, 1979-81
 1,870...David Merrill, Show Low, 1988-90
 1,748...David Kiepk, Camp Verde, 1989-90

TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS (GAME)

5.....George Krekelberg, Camp Verde, 1987
 4.....Mike Flake, Snowflake, 1982
 4.....Bryan Marshall, Hopi, 1988

TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS (SEASON)

15.....Gerald Urlaub, Bradshaw Mtn., 1991
 14.....Mark Cibik, Coconino, 1982
 13.....Mike Funk, Hopi, 1988
 13.....Mike Johnson, Parker, 1989
 12.....David Merrill, Show Low, 1990
 11.....Bryan Marshall, Hopi, 1988 (so)
 11.....Mike Johnson, Parker, 1988 (jr)
 11.....David Kiepk, Camp Verde, 1989 (jr)
 10.....Bill Black, Coconino, 1982
 10.....Greg Book, Kingman, 1989 (jr)
 10.....Greg Book, Kingman, 1990

TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS (CAREER)

24.....Mike Johnson, Parker, 1987-89
 23.....Dusty Eager, Round Valley, 1979-81
 20.....David Kiepk, Camp Verde, 1989-90
 20.....Greg Book, Kingman, 1989-90

INTERCEPTIONS (SEASON)

12.....Chad Ence, St. Johns, 1989 (jr)
 11.....Chris Patterson, St. Johns, 1977 (jr)
 11.....Drayton Martin, Round Valley, 1987
 11.....T. D. Hall, Blue Ridge, 1988 (jr)
 11.....Willie Martinez, Parker, 1988
 10.....P. Holt, Mingus, 1968
 10.....Stuart Moring, Round Valley, 1980
 10.....George Pryer, Flagstaff, 1982
 10.....Eric Lane, Coconino, 1983
 10.....James Merrill, Mingus, 1988
 10.....Travis McClendon, Mingus, 1990

INTERCEPTIONS (CAREER)

24.....Troy Gilliland, Parker, 1982-85 (4)
 20.....Chad Ence, St. Johns, 1989-90

INTERCEPTIONS (GAME)

4.....Kevin Stars, Window Rock, 1974

4.....Trent Thompson, Chinle, 1986 (jr)
 4.....Tommy Stamps, Bradshaw Mt., '88 (jr)
 3.....Nate Bly, Winslow, 1961
 3.....James Dugan, Flagstaff, 1963
 3.....John Frawley, Mohave, 1973
 3.....John Land, Winslow, 1976
 3.....Tim Pettit, Williams, 1977
 3.....Dean Severns, Kingman, 1977
 3.....Mike Boggio, Kingman, 1979
 3.....Stuart Moring, Round Valley, 1980
 3.....Darren Turley, St Johns, 1982
 3.....Lesi Broyles, Coconino, 1984
 3.....Roger Pfeiffer, Kingman, 1989
 3.....Sean Beaty, Camp Verde, 1989 (jr)
 3.....Todd Owen, Camp Verde, 1989 (jr)
 3.....Willy Nikolaus, Show Low, 1990
 3.....Rob Stoneburger, Mingus, 1990
 3.....Jim Richardson, Brad. Mtn., 1991 (jr)

LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURN

104.....Bill Kerr, Kingman, 1952
 103.....Greg Turner, Flagstaff, 1978
 102.....Edgar Brown, Williams, 1968
 99.....Dale Nielson, Holbrook, 1976
 99.....Norm Isaacson, St. Johns, 1976
 98.....Pat King, Williams, 1955

TD INTERCEPTIONS (GAME)

3.....Nate Bly, Winslow, 1961

FIELD GOALS (GAME)

4.....Eddie Hamblin, Round Valley, 1980 (jr)
 4.....Eddie Hamblin, Round Valley, 1981
 3.....Art Kerrick, Coconino, 1978
 3.....Rick Savedra, Round Valley, 1970
 3.....Bob McGeary, Lake Havasu, 1974
 3.....James Crutchfield, Snowflake, 1975
 3.....Richard Lowell, St. Johns, 1977
 3.....Jim Long, Kingman, 1982
 3.....Chris Ellis, Blue Ridge, 1987
 3.....Andrew Stuck, Tuba City, 1988

FIELD GOALS (SEASON)

11.....Tony Butts, Lake Havasu, 1976
 11.....Eddie Hamblin, Round Valley, 1981
 11.....Dean Roney, Winslow, 1983 (jr)
 10.....Bob McGeary, Lake Havasu, 1974
 10.....Dean Roney, Winslow, 1984
 10.....Mike Cook, St. Johns, 1990 (jr)

FIELD GOALS (CAREER)

21.....Dean Roney, Winslow, 1983-84
 20.....Herik Mandel, Coconino, 1980-82
 19.....Bob McGeary, Lake Havasu, 1972-74
 19.....Eddie Hamblin, Round Valley, 1979-81

LONGEST FIELD GOALS

52.....Dean Roney, Winslow, 1984
 51.....Hank Lopez, Flagstaff, 1975
 51.....Brian Rau, Flagstaff, 1990
 50.....Brian Abraham, Kingman, 1979
 48.....Bob McGeary, Lake Havasu, 1973 (jr)
 48.....Allen Meacham, Coconino, 1984
 47.....Tony Butts, Lake Havasu, 1976
 47.....Art Kerrick, Coconino, 1978
 47.....Allen Meacham, Coconino, 1983

PATS (GAME)

12.....Alex Shores, Page, 1974 (jr)
 9.....Cowen Hamblin, Round Valley, 1973
 9.....Alex Shores, Page, 1974 (jr)
 8.....Alex Shores, Page, 1974 (jr)
 8.....Alex Shores, Page, 1974 (jr)

PATS (SEASON)

50.....Alex Shores, Page, 1974 (jr)
 44.....Kenny Walker, Round Valley, 1980
 42.....Dawson Gofourth, Flagstaff, 1985
 41.....Brian Rau, Flagstaff, 1988 (so)

CONSECUTIVE PATS

45.....Dawson Gofourth, Flagstaff, 1984-85

PATS (CAREER)

91.....Eddie Hamblin, Round Valley, 1979-81
 88.....Herik Mandel, Coconino, 1980-82
 66.....Blaine Crowther, Snowflake, ACTIVE!
 65.....Bob McGeary, Lake Havasu, 1972-74
 63.....Scott Ross, Coconino, 1974-76
 63.....Faren Mandel, Flagstaff, 1982-83

LONGEST PUNT

90.....J.T. Ellsworth, Snowflake, 1985 (jr)
 89.....Dom DeMark, Prescott, 1991
 87.....Don Ohnstead, Snowflake, 1949
 80.....Lee Daniels, Kingman, 1943
 78.....Jack Miller, Flagstaff, 1960
 78.....David Kiepk, Camp Verde, 1990

PUNTING AVERAGE (SEASON)

52.0.....J.T. Ellsworth, Snowflake, 1985 (jr)
 49.3.....Trent Thompson, Chinle, 1987
 46.8.....Gary Williams, Blue Ridge, 1974
 46.4.....Trent Thompson, Chinle, 1986 (jr)
 46.3.....David Kiepk, Camp verde, 1990
 44.7.....Jose Pombo, Flagstaff, 1990

LONGEST FUMBLE RECOVERY (TD)

99.....Ryan Noble, Show Low, 1988
 85.....Rick Brenfleck, Coconino, 1968
(4A title game)
 83.....Dale McPhetridge, Coconino, 1974 (jr)
(4A title game)

LONGEST PUNT RETURN (TD)

98.....Derald Cox, Flagstaff, 1968
 97.....Charley Jones, Prescott, 1955
 97.....Don Track, Parker, 1968
 96.....James Dugan, Flagstaff, 1962
 96.....Andrew Porter, Flagstaff, 1985

TOUCHDOWNS-PUNT RETURNS (GAME)

3.....Paul Russell, Flagstaff, 1934

LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN (TD)

105.....George Krekelberg, Camp Verde, 1988
 99.....Kelly LeSueur, Round Valley, 1975 (jr)
 99.....Tony Squieri, Lake Havasu, 1981
 99.....Myran Hansen, Coconino, 1986 (jr)
 98.....Derald Cox, Flagstaff, 1968 (jr)
 98.....Brett Brewer, Snowflake, 1991 (jr)



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With defensive ends Wendell Allen (88) and Paul Gutierrez (85) in hot pursuit, this running back from Scottsdale Christian didn't get far. Mayer will again have one of the best defensive teams in 8-Man football.

Mayer Top-Rated 8-Man Club

MAYER

Coach Vince Cahill's Wildcats went 5-3 last fall, losing to two teams which qualified for the state playoffs by a touchdown. They did beat Williams, which qualified for the North Region playoffs. Mayer plays in the West.

"We have good size, good speed, can run and throw and love to hit on defense," warns the 'Cats veteran head coach. "We play a real tough schedule. We will have to beat the teams that beat us, Orme and Northwest Christian, and we play Williams again and state co-champ Fredonia."

Sixteen lettermen are ready for the challenge, including DE Wendell Allen (6-3, 185), DB David Courtney (6-1, 167), the club's leading tackler, and QB Troy Head (6-1, 150), who's also a pitcher with a strong arm on the baseball team. These three are as good as they come in the 8-Man West.

The coaching staff is expecting big things from four other seniors: center Joe Shelton, DE Curt Carlise, punter Jeff Hollister and receiver J.T. Smith, with 4.6 speed the fastest 'Cat in camp.

A good all-round player to watch is junior Chris Pomichter (6-2, 160), a WR/DB/kick returner with good speed. Other top juniors include Christian Gonzales, Mike Szypiany, Don Oen and big (6-1, 240) Nathan Metcalf. Clay Kelton, Paul Hines and Rick Romohr, a 6-3, 205-pound guard, are three promising second-year men up from the frosh ranks.

WILLIAMS

The Vikings lost two games by two points, and dropped a track meet to state co-champ Fredonia, 62-49. That gave Rick Shipley's club a 6-3 record, but with 26 lettermen and a good group coming off an unbeaten (6-0)

JV squad, the Vikings are set.

"If our team stays healthy, we will be the team to beat," claims Shipley, whose Vikings are 24-7-1 in the past three years, and have led the state in scoring. The top prospect appears to be Scott Dent, a 6-2, 220-pound two-way lineman with 4.9 speed. Dent has started 32 consecutive games and an all-state selection for two years. Last spring, he landed all-state baseball honors. Running back-safety Theron McDougall (5-10, 160) and QB/LB Jeff Dent (6-0, 190) were first team all-conference. McDougall joined Dent on the all-state baseball team, as an outfielder.

MOGOLLON

The Mustangs, in three short years, have become a contender, to say the least. Coach Rocky Nelson has 18 Mustangs in the corral, all members of a good 6-2 unit with lost to Fredonia

and Williams, keeping them out of the playoffs.

"We have a few excellent starters back, but we will be rebuilding with a lot of freshmen players," says Nelson, whose team will have good quickness but little size.

Four of the better players in the 8-man North wear Mogollon's colors, that being LB/OG Jacob Tenney (5-9, 153), QB/DB Travis Williams (5-9, 140), center Blake Gaylord (5-10, 140) and TE Dusty Cochran (6-0, 180). Williams was a member of the Class 1A all-state baseball team.

Juniors Damon Porter and John Mollet, and sophomores Randy Tenney, Mitchell Reidhead and Brad Reidhead should all start. Transfers Eric Ballejos and Gary Spencer should contribute.

FREDONIA

You can't get much better than last year. The Lynx, coached by veteran Mont Griffiths, finished 10-0-1 after tying Patagonia 36-36 in one of the all-time great 8-Man championship games.

"What can I say?" asks Griffiths, winner of 118 games and four state championships. "We were underrated all year. That's the way we like it. We made a great effort to overcome a real good Arizona Lutheran team. In the state game with Patagonia, it was just a hard fought, well played game. But we lost five great seniors. We will have our work cut out."

But one player who didn't graduate is running back Morgan Bingham (6-1, 201), the most destructive force on 8-man cleats. The Lynx' all-state ace rushed for over 1,000 yards and wrecked havoc all season long in the secondary. Other Lynx to watch include QB Andy Stevens (6-1, 170), end Robert Foster (6-3, 180), end Sam Howard (5-8, 160), and linebacker Brandon Cooper (5-9, 160).

Last spring, teammates Bingham and Foster scored points in eight different events to help the Lynx score 111 points in winning the state track & field championship.

ORME

Veteran head coach Bob Miller and

1992 8-Man Poll

1. Mayer Wildcats
2. Williams Vikings
3. Mogollon Mustangs
4. Fredonia Lynx
5. Orme Warriors
6. Bagdad Sultans
7. Salome Frogs
8. Seligman Antelopes

the Warriors bounced back and regrouped after a 1-3 finish in 1990. The Warriors, which once played in the 11-man ranks, might have one of the better running backs around in Hiro Sakai, a 5-6, 160-pound senior with quick moves and all-league potential.

BAGDAD

The Sultans, 2-5-1 last year, still struggle with no underclassmen feeder team in the program. Coach Carl Ridenour hopes 12 lettermen, plus two of the better seniors in the 1A West, will improve the look. With quarterback Kip Nungester (5-10, 160) and fullback Jeremy Moseley (6-2, 220) still in the lineup, Bagdad has a shot.

Last fall, only three seniors dotted the 25-man roster. Eleven freshmen played varsity. Besides Nungester and Moseley, underclassmen who saw action include linemen Carlos Iniguez, Steve Vigueria, Justin Andrews, Brandon Nelson, Brian Gupton, Clint Fish, Donny Rodenkirk, Mark Ventura, Bryan Moseley, Robert Sandoval, David Toney, Mike Schilz and Dan Day; and backs Beau Nelson, Estevan Sandoval, Ron Williams, Aaron Wood, Chris Gerdes, Andy Barker and Mike Vigueria.

SALOME

The Frogs, coached by Dan Wolfe, went 3-5 with a young, inexperienced club. "But we hit hard and were in many of the games we lost," says the Frogs' head coach. "This fall, we are optimistic. We will be much more experienced and still have our good hitters."

Best of the hitters might be the

linebackers, seniors Maurice Venegas and J.B. Izzo. On offense, Venegas is a tailback, Izzo the center. Both guards return: Earl Brydon (6-0, 205) and soph Marshall Clark (6-0, 185). Two newcomers include senior guard Chris Kidd (6-0, 215) and junior end Ramon Molina (6-1, 180). The Frogs compete in the 1A-West.

SELIGMAN

Talk about a fall from grace. "From Riches to Rags," that was the story at Seligman, where the Antelopes went 11-1 and won the 1990 state championship under coaches Robert La Chat and John Kennedy. Then, under Perry Paulsen, went 0-8, scoring only 44 points to the enemy's 441.

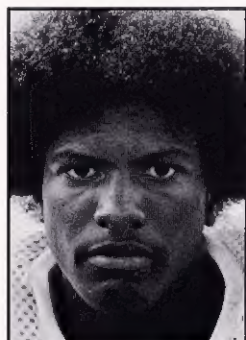
But that was almost expected. "We had a very young team," said Paulsen. "Everybody from the state championship team graduated. We are real young."

Entering last season, Seligman fans were looking for good things from sophomores like halfback Luke Leist, split end Louis Mejia, quarterback Robert Morrison, guard Justin Young or halfback Jeff Burton, to name just a few. All five played on the '90 championship club as freshmen. This fall, the road through the 1A-North battle grounds shouldn't be so rocky.

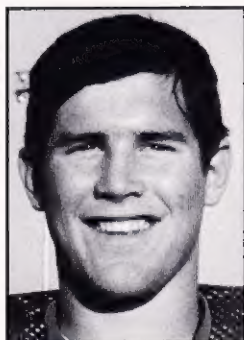
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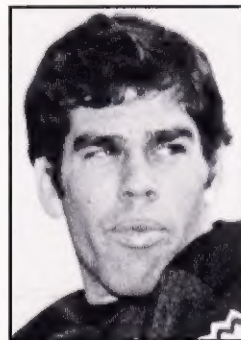
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1989 Aaron Santini, Tucson Santa Rita
1988 Bret Powers, Glendale Cactus
1987 John Bonds, Phoenix St. Mary's
1986 Bobby Valdez, Tucson Sunnyside
1985 Kent Kiefer, Tempe McClintock
1984 Steve Belles, Phoenix St. Mary's
1983 John Walker, Tempe Marcos de Niza
1982 Rodney Peete, Tucson Sahuaro (jr)
1981 Steve Stallworth, Yuma
1980 Trent Hutchinson, South Mountain
1979 Lloyd Coker, Phoenix Central
1978 Kevin Smith, Scottsdale Saguaro (jr)
1977 Mike Pagel, Phoenix Washington
1976 Greg Brady, Scottsdale Coronado
1975 Jim Krohn, Tucson Amphi
1974 Mark Whipple, Phoenix Camelback
1973 Rob Wilson, Scottsdale Coronado
1972 Greg Hubbell, Phoenix Central
1971 Fred Mortensen, Tempe
1970 Fred Mortensen, Tempe (jr)
1969 Danny White, Mesa Westwood
1968 Bill Mannion, Phoenix St. Mary's
1967 Ken Johnson, Scottsdale Arcadia (jr)
1966 John Svob, Tucson Catalina
1965 George Mattingly, Scottsdale Arcadia
1964 Dave Grangaard, Phoenix Camelback
1963 Rusty Tillman, Agua Fria

1962 Timmy Flood, Phoenix Brophy Prep
1961 Elby Bushong, Phoenix Washington
1960 Gary Deak, Scottsdale Arcadia
1959 Eddie Bricker, Miami
1958 John Power, Phoenix Camelback
1957 Eddie Wilson, Chandler
1956 Carlos Rodriguez, Morenci
1955 Jim Wolf, Yuma
1954 Ralph Hunsaker, Mesa
1953 Clyde Nielson, North Phoenix (jr)
1952 Pat Flood, Tucson
1951 Vaughn Patterson, North Phoenix (jr)
1950 James Black, Phoenix Union
1949 Buster Madariaga, Round Valley
1948 Don Ahee, Tucson
1947 Dan Russell, Mesa
1946 Gus Headington, Yuma
1945 Oscar Carrillo, Tucson
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1943 Charles Beall, Mesa (jr)
1942 Fred Enke, Jr., Tucson

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